

times in the past, our team has been in the final game, and seven times we have come in second. This year, the Silver High School Fighting Colts came away with the winner's trophy for the first time in the school's history.

This was accomplished under the leadership of Head Coach David Carrillo and his fine staff, and because of the skill and heart of all those enthusiastic players and their supportive families. They all have the congratulations and good wishes of those of us who have watched the team over the years. Somehow it is reassuring to know that no matter how old we get, we are always Colts.●

#### RECOGNIZING MATRIX HUMAN SERVICES ON ITS 100TH ANNIVERSARY

● Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize Matrix Human Services, one of Michigan's oldest and largest nonprofit social service organizations, as it celebrates 100 years of tireless and dedicated service.

Matrix Human Services was founded in 1906 by a small group of Catholic women, later known as the League of Catholic Women, who recognized a growing need to provide support for low income and at-risk populations in the Detroit Metropolitan area. Over the years as the League's membership continued to grow, it was able to dedicate more resources and personnel to its mission of fostering self-sufficiency and hope to those in need. These efforts ultimately lead to a broadened scope of services that sought to address the growing and diverse needs of the community, which grew into what we now refer to as Matrix Human Services.

Today, Matrix Human Services is a diverse organization with more than 300 staff members and dedicated volunteers, serving 30 locations across the Detroit Metropolitan area. It continues to focus on its mission to help prepare individuals and families to live a more positive, productive and meaningful life. Matrix Human Services has organized educational training, childcare, social work, mentoring, abuse prevention, and housing assistance for the homeless programs. Each year, Matrix is able to serve thousands of individuals through a network of specialized divisions that include Head Start Family Service Center, Project Transition Housing, Walter and May Reuther Senior Services, Barat Child and Family Services, Casa Maria Family Services, Vistas Nuevas Head Start, and Off the Streets.

I know my Senate colleagues join me in congratulating Matrix Human Services on its many years of excellent service and wish its staff, volunteers, and community partners many more productive years of service to the community.●

#### MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, one of his secretaries.

#### EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations and withdrawals which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

##### ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

At 1:35 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 205. An act to authorize the American Battle Monuments Commission to establish in the State of Louisiana a memorial to honor the Buffalo Soldiers.

S. 652. An act to provide financial assistance for the rehabilitation of the Benjamin Franklin National Memorial in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and the development of an exhibit to commemorate the 300th anniversary of the birth of Benjamin Franklin.

S. 1238. An act to amend the Public Lands Corps Act of 1993 to provide for the conduct of projects that protect forests, and for other purposes.

S. 1310. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to allow the Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation to increase the diameter of a natural gas pipeline located in the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area, to allow certain commercial vehicles to continue to use Route 209 within the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area, and to extend the termination date of the National Park System Advisory Board to January 1, 2007.

S. 1481. An act to amend the Indian Land Consolidation Act to provide for probate reform.

S. 1892. An act to amend Public Law 107-153 to modify a certain date.

S. 1988. An act to authorize the transfer of items in the War Reserves Stockpile for Al-  
lies, Korea.

The enrolled bills were signed subsequently by the President pro tempore (Mr. STEVENS).

#### MEASURES REFERRED

The following concurrent resolution was read, and referred as indicated:

H. Con. Res. 230. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that the Russian Federation must protect intellectual property rights; to the Committee on Finance.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. INHOFE, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, without amendment:

S. 2015. A bill to provide a site for construction of a national health museum, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 109-212).

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. OBAMA):

S. 2156. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 332 South Main Street in Flora, Illinois, as the "Robert T. Ferguson Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. 2157. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for the Purple Heart to be awarded to prisoners of war who die in captivity under circumstances not otherwise establishing eligibility for the Purple Heart; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 2158. A bill to establish a National Homeland Security Academy within the Department of Homeland Security; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. SMITH (for himself and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 2159. A bill to provide for reimbursement of the cost of certain projects at the Fern Ridge Dam, Oregon; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mr. AKAKA):

S. 2160. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to authorize grants for institutions of higher education serving Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. INHOFE (for himself, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. HAGEL, and Mr. NELSON of Nebraska):

S. 2161. A bill to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act to prevent the enforcement of certain national primary drinking water regulations unless sufficient funding is available or variance technology has been identified; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Ms. SNOWE:

S. 2162. A bill to foster local development by facilitating the delivery of financial assistance to small businesses, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 2163. A bill to amend titles 10 and 38 of the United States Code, to increase and index education 31 benefits for veterans under the Montgomery GI bill to ensure adequate and equitable benefits for active duty members and members of the selected Reserve, and to include certain servicemembers previously excluded from such benefits; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. STABENOW (for herself, Mr. REID, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. KENNEDY, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. DAYTON, Mrs. LINCOLN, and Ms. MIKULSKI):

S. 2164. A bill to amend titles IV, XVIII, and XIX of the Social Security Act to improve the provision of care under the programs under such titles, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. MIKULSKI (for herself, Mr. KENNEDY, and Mr. SARBANES):